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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated March 27, 2000, the period for response having been extended for three (3) months to September 27, 2000, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims:

- --27. A substrate processing apparatus as recited in claim 1, wherein the apparatus is configured to transfer and process a single substrate at a time.
- 28. A substrate processing apparatus as recited in claim 1, wherein the apparatus is configured to transfer a single substrate and to process a plurality of substrates at a time.

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